MGIB Transferability of Benefits to Spouses
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PURPOSE

To provide an update regarding implementation of

the Army's MGIB Transferability of Benefits to

Spouses program

Agenda

- Background
- MGIB Transferability Eligibility
- Actions completed since last WWRC
- Current Status
- Way Ahead

BACKGROUND

- 2002 NDAA, Public Law 107-107, Sect 654 authorized MGIB Transferability of Benefits to Dependents
- USC, Title 38, Sect 3020 further codified MGIB Transferability
- Each service secretary has the option of offering MGIB transferability to Soldiers in designated critical skills
- Army approved and implemented MGIB Transferability 21 Jul 06

MGIB TRANSFERABILITY ELIGIBILITY

- **Conditions for MGIB Transferability eligibility include:**
  - **Soldiers must be serving in a critical skill / MOS (Definition: Eligible for a Zone B or Zone C SRB)**
  - **Soldier must have completed 6 years TIS**
  - **Soldier must reenlist for a minimum of 4 years**
  - **Soldier can transfer up to 18 of 36 months of entitlement to their spouse**
  - **Soldier may revoke or change his/her transferability election any time in writing**

Actions Since Last WWRC

- COMPLAN approved
- Implementation Plan approved
- MILPER message released; separate message posted

in RETAIN

- Green Top Article, ARNEWS Article, Army Times Article, Soldier's Radio Article, Armed Forces Network Article, EXSUM to AKO Senior Leader page
- SEP 06 Active Duty LES notification of program implementation

Current Status

- During pilot – program open to Regular Army Soldiers for transfer of benefits to spouses
- Surveying Soldier's who have accepted MGIB Transferability to determine program retention affect and value
- Submitted ULB (FY09) change to remove restrictive language " critical skill " requirement from law

WAY AHEAD

- Continue with pilot program
- Follow up on ULB 09
- Analyze and report results of pilot to Army leadership
- Pursue expansion of MGIB Transferability
  - Officers
  - USAR and ARNG
  - All Dependents (Spouses and Children)

QUESTIONS?